

Are you kidding me!? You're going to let big business stomp all over the consumers? Net Neutrality is the only way the internet will work. If it's not broken, don't fix it.

—James Benson, Sherman, TX

Chairman Wheeler: Net neutrality requires you to reclassify Internet Service Providers as Common Carriers. Thank you for agreeing to do just that!!

—Elizabeth B. Gerlach, Newton, MA

Please FCC, do not let comcast control everything. Do not limit the accessibility of the internet. This isn't N. Korea. Att and other local companies should be competing with comcast. Not being bought out. Please do not do this two tiered internet crap.

—Joe, Cordova, TN

I don't want a private corporation keeping internet speeds low and or pay lanes going to and from my house. The USA will loose in education against other countries that do not deal with slowing down internet and pay for play situations. I am so against this and it's not funny.

—Adam Harvey, Tarpon Springs, FL

As a consumer, I will not get better service with a two tiered internet. This is a no-win situation for everyone.

—Sam Keasler, Memphis, TN

Dear FCC; Net Neutrality please!!

—Micah Crown-Hun., Los Angeles, CA

Unrestricted Data access is as important as electricity access. Net Neutrality is a must! INTERNET is a UTILITY !!

—Simon Carvalho, St Paul, MN

Media conglomerates already have too much control over media outlets to also allow them to monopolize what content gets priority on the internet.

—Romina Herrera, Miami, FL

The Internet is a wealth of resources and information, that should be available to everyone regardless of race, class, sexual orientation, gender, etc. Everyone must have access to this a abundant resource, and it should not be a profitable business.

—Alexandria Colbert, East Taunton, MA

Discrimination in fees and content on the internet is an undemocratic, indefensible probability if we don't have Net Neutrality. Please, please don't be responsible for such a backward step! I urge you to reclassify ISPs as common carriers to protect Net Neutrality

—Nancy Twiss, Manhattan, KS

Respected members of the FCC, I, along with many others, believe that a two-tiered internet system is a grave mistake. If we begin to allow virtual discrimination based upon the wealth of a company or individual, we enter another nail into the coffin of the belief that the individual consumer--the individual citizen--is more important than the interests of already lucrative and functioning companies. Please, reconsider your position on the issue.

—Hugh MacAlpine Smith, Andover, MA

Net neutrality is critical for freedom and independence. Do not allow two-tiered internet.

—Kelvin Tan, Berkeley, CA

The corporate companies always try and screw the PEOPLE. Disgusting how even a source such as the internet is trying to be ruled by certain people. It's sad enough some cities, and towns are losing their library. End this madness!

—Julio Zavala, West Hempstead, NY

The proposal to change the rules and access to the internet are discriminatory! Instead the FCC should reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Ewunike Akpan, Washington, DC

The redefining of net neutrality should not happen. The internet was created to be unbiased and universally accessible but with the new "definition" the internet will lose its most important feature. It's neutrality is imperative. The proposition to alter the system, accommodating to the big companies who can afford to pay the cost of the super fast internet lane, is unfair and will deter the growth of smaller startups which could one day be successful with the old net neutrality definition. These possibly successful smaller startups with potential to grow will face serious road blocks if the new net neutrality definition is passed. Please keep the internet neutral, the old neutral. Not the new neutral which is far from being neutral. Do not allow net neutrality to be redefined for the sake of today's comcast at the expense of tomorrow's google.

—Elisabeth Daigle, Mobile, AL

Please classify ISPs as common carriers.

—G Marcus Sherwin, NORTH GRAFTON, MA

Net Neutrality is important to me as an american citizen, because i want access to free press. News and information that is unbiased and unfiltered. One of the only places that this is only offered is through the internet. I do not believe that the internet should be control and filtered by companies and their agendas. I demand that the internet remains a entity of its own, where everyone has access to the same information at the same speed. It should not be controlled and reserved for the rich. If net neutrality fails, then we have failed in protecting the rights of american citizens.

—Alyssa Murillo, Fontana, CA

Net neutrality is imperative. It is the true American way. The two tier system is unfair. It's not broke so don't break it!

—James Martin, Livermore, CO

Please classify as Common Carriers! We demand a free internet and freedom from the power of the providers.

—John Parker, Uniontown, WA

Net Neutrality is important for democratic equality, freedom of information, etc. The internet has become a necessary tool in the daily lives of many and allows us to reach out to those far away from us, draw information from multiple facets, etc. It's one of, if not the most powerful tool, that we have access to--and hampering it and slapping on censorship and prohibiting things and slowing it down are all things that impede the progress of it.

—Blaise Collins, Midlothian, VA

Net neutrality must be preserved for every American. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. American prosperity must be for everyone.

—Robert Yates, Seattle, WA

FCC, throw out your rules, and reclassify ISPs as common carriers

—Inhueie, Harlem, NY

Throw out your rules and instead reclassify isps as common carriers. Keep The internet neutral.

—Jeff Blake, Orem, UT

Please do not let the big internet providers such as AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon decide which traffic to allow through at a decent speed. We need Net Neutrality so that the Internet works in the best interests of all Americans, not just big corporations.

—Adam Coggins, Rockville, MD

People all across our country now depend on their ISPs to provide them with the internet service to manage their bills, to access online education courses, to obtain information, and to maintain communications. In many rural areas in particular, access to high speed internet service is essential. Public policy at this time is needed to safeguard this access for the "little people"— and not to allow corporations like ATT to determine the price structure for US communications. I urge you to reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Patricia Vadasy, Seattle, WA

As a web designer for small business & start-ups, net neutrality is crucial to what I do. part of my job is to guide my clients into internet/mobile media marketing that is tailored to their consumer-base. Removing neutrality puts them at a further disadvantage to compete with larger, previously established companies (or ones with the financial backing of large organizations). This is NOT the way to maintain a free and open (digital) marketplace where everyone who wants to be an entrepreneur has a fair shot of doing so.

—Rahsaan Williams, Falls Church, VA

Keep the internet free and open!

—Mary Coleman, Tacoma, WA

Dear FCC, Please do not go through with the anti-Net Neutrality movement! I believe that it compromises our personal freedoms and that the reason the internet was created was so that people could share things, connect, create. The two-tiered internet system is an act of discrimination and should not be allowed to go through because the only people who would have access to the benefits of the internet would be those with the funds to afford it. It's OK for individual companies to do this, but it should not become something we have to deal with for everything! Facebook says that it is free and always will be. Other sites insist on offering free services to all. By passing this law, you are subjecting the publishers of these sites to unethical restrictions; our access to information and services should not be determined by how much money we have! Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers and keep our rights and freedoms secure. -Bean and Matt

—Madeleine, Christoval, TX

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it. This would destroy innovation, common information, and the power of the internet.

—Alexandra Goswami, Omaha, NE

A two tiered internet is unethical and discriminatory. Please donot proceed with this plan.

—Adam Ward Dimond, st. brieuc,

Why do you think you have the right to take more money from people and use it to fill your own? Leave net neutrality alone.

—Robert, Joliet, IL

Preserve net neutrality and the Internet's amazing democratic potential.

—Paul Gilbert, Seattle, WA

FCC, Please reclassify Internet Service Providers as Common Carriers. It is the only true and final way to preserve Net Neutrality.

—Efrain Daniel Esparza, Keller, TX

The freedom to create content and have it viewed by many should override the ability of the few to pay more!!

—Marcia Dresner, Severn, MD

I'm a web developer from Fargo, ND. Wheeler's plan scares me. To me, the Internet (as it is) is the last vestige of the American Dream. The Internet represents equality - a truly level playing field. That is what has allowed it to revolutionize our society. Please don't allow this level field to become a valley, where only the highest bidders are likely to be heard. Innovation comes from the bottom, not the top.

—Michael Lobdell, Fargo, ND

Net Neutrality is best for consumers and creates a level playing field for all companies large and small. Playing to favorites and creating a tiered system is irresponsible and greedy. Please create rules that let all companies large and small have the same ability to reach consumers without having to pay tolls to ISPs.

—Jeremy Akes, Blanchard, OK

Net Neutrality is important! Please don't do anything that might end it. Please throw out the rules that would allow discrimination online and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Companies with money should not have more power on the Internet just because they have more money. We who have less already pay more than we can afford just to have Internet - it would be horrible to make our situation worse, and unfair!

—Sylvia Salter, Fort Myers, FL

I'm already tired of getting subpar service from charter internet for what I pay each month, for you to think that them asking more for "better" is acceptable. That is crazy. Is it too much to ask to get reasonable service for \$60 a month? I guess it is. Must be nice to be a big shot CEO AMD make enough to pay for the incoming price hike.

—Dayne Shemick, Chippewa Falls, WI

I wholeheartedly support net neutrality.

—Will Murray, Bartlett, TN

There is no free internet left if the only voices given exposure are the ones with the most money. Net neutrality is the new stop on monopoly.

—Margret Linich, Sterling, NY

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler - WHY should AT&T, Comcast and Verizon be allowed special privileges? Now when I want a simple answer to a search question I have to look through a long list of sites which demand payment to be used. A simple question about finding where a TV show, or something similar can require a whole page of sites before finding one that might have the answer. I have been a Comcast subscriber for many years and in the last few months have noticed these changes in search results being much harder to find. Mary Groome

—Mary Grome, Lewes, DE

My cable service is awful. My internet is slow and unreliable and expensive. Please classify ISPs as common carriers under Title II. This is the only way to ensure fair, fast and affordable internet access for all Americans.

—Benjamin A. Ochoa, Houston, TX

Please don't go forward with the bill that was pushed by cable companies so they can make more money. The internet was built for freedom to share ideas and knowledge. Imagine a world if they put limitations on books. Please let us think the system is fair and you're not in their pockets.

—Michael Harvey, Edgewater, NJ

I don't want to see the privatization of the internet. The internet is working well the way it is, and we don't need to put more money into the pockets of big business like verison and att. I don't want a faster lane and a slower lane. Internet access should be the same for all. Internet has become a public utility now. We all need it daily to do many things. No fast lane, Please!

—Ziba Bastani hesari, Houston, TX

Net neutrality = democracy What AT&T, Comcast & Verizon want = NOT a democracy FCC, do we live in a democracy in 2014 in the USA? You tell me.

—James Grimaldi, New York, NY

Net neutrality is important because without it there will be a great misuse of this power from large internet providing companies.

—Adam Rozelle, Charlotte, NC

Dear Chairman, The internet is what makes our country great and the American Dream possible. I am a small business owner and cannot keep up with large, affluent companies and corporations that can afford to make their websites more competitive. Please keep America free by keeping the internet free.. Thank you.

—Miss Aubrey Motoyama, California City, CA

Dear Chairman Wheeler, a two-tier solution is not a solution! I desire true internet neutrality. This is not a question of political compromise. It is a question of truth and transparency in as free a public domain as possible. Frederick Bindel Seattle, WA

—Frederick H Bindel, Seattle, WA

As a small business owner, please keep America a place that encourages entrepreneurship. It's what makes our country extraordinary. Don't approve Wheeler's plan.

—Bjorn Cooley, Albany, OR

As we allow money and moneyed interests to take over our media and our politics, the range of news, access to information and dialogue has shrunk in to a the polarized cable news cacophony. The internet is a source of unfettered access and communication. To change this by limiting or weakening net neutrality of what is like the airwaves a common property is wrong. Do the right thing, and refuse these proposed internet rules.

—Jim Thomas, Littleton, CO

Because Knowledge is Power, and Power should not reside solely in the hands of those who will abuse it.

—Hanna Danecker, Highland Park, IL

True Net Neutrality is important because it's the basis of all innovation and disruption for internet based business. Having a two tiered system (or any tiers, or fast lanes or anything like that) invites anti-competitive behaviors and oligarchies.

—Mr. Jon Loyens, Austin, TX

Net Neutrality means no fast lane, no slow lane, no priority lane. All content is treated equally, period. Please keep Net Neutrality alive if you'd like to see an America in the next 20 years.

—Paul Moore, Los Angeles, CA

To FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler, A two-tiered Internet dismembers free speech for all, unless you can pay; undermines innovation that can provide for new futures, unless you can pay; and reduces the potential of the Internet by making it an aggrandized media toy, instead of a tool for positive futures. Please reverse this decision. Please support Net Neutrality! Don Bieber

—Donald Bieber, Belchertown, MA

There is no equality without equal open internet access!

—Desiree Koser, York, PA

The internet provides my home with telephone, tv, news and "internet" content. It is more essential than telephone service ever was and should be protected as a common carrier.

—Lynn Musgrove, Groton, NY

Protect Net Neutrality. Throw out FCC rules for a two tier system. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Don't trust AT&T, Comcast, Verizon. Replace Tom Wheeler.

—Patrick Cullen, San Francisco, CA

We need less economic polarization today in America -- not more!

—Mike Humphrey, San Mateo, CA

Democratic society rests fundamentally on two principles; voting is well-known, but the ability of citizens to communicate equally is equally important. The Internet has ensured equal communication for citizens, and as a network engineer I strongly believe that the proposed changes will throw that equality away. You owe it to society to ensure net neutrality.

—Geoffrey Kriston, Chicago, IL

Please do not give the rich and powerful corporations an even greater advantage with access to fast lanes. The internet is too important for the common good for this to happen. Protect net neutrality.

—Joshua Weld-Wallis, Grand Rapids, MI

stop fucking with us we vote we revolt we will not be controlled by you

—James Holloway, Albuquerque, NM

Because its not for the 1 pct of companies who can afford to pay. Information should be free and equal.

—Viju Joseph, Harrison, NY

The Internet is now a necessity in modern life. It's a utility now, not a luxury. Do not allow a two-tiered system to be created -- one for the have's and one for the have-not's.

—Rebecca E McBEE, ANN ARBOR, MI

I don't want ISPs gouging me for the ability to access websites and services.

—Pedro Cortes, Miami, FL

You must treat ISPs as common carriers. The future of freedom and progress relies on a free and open internet.

—Ted Boles, Tacoma, WA

Net neutrality is synonym of freedom. And that is why it is important to me. I don't want to have my access to information limited by a company... when did that help anyone? And I keep thinking how anyone in other countries will still have unrestricted and equal access to all the net, and I think that put us, living in the US, in disadvantage.

—Paula Guerra, Kennesaw, GA

Net neutrality is not just important to me, its important for everyone on the planet, the internet does not belong to anyone and elitist corporate entities have no business, stealing it for their own miserable ends nor have they the right to change any aspect of it and they certainly have no right to delve into any persons private affairs. Leave "our" internet alone

—Alan Stevens, dublin,

The choice of service speeds should be with the end user only. ISP service costs are paid by end user, so there should be no need for the ISP to solicit additional payment from the content provider ? Please reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers.

—Subhajit Mondal, Overland Park, KS

It seems that fairness for the mainstream population is becoming extinct. You are supposed to be protecting us yet you keep passing laws and restrictions that make it impossible to get ahead if you are Mr. and Ms. average American. It is not fair to hurt people that don't have the big bucks. The internet is for all not just the rich. To limit access in an unfair way is negligent and harmful to all.

—Alison Sirak, North Fort Myers, FL

Verizon and Comcast do not speak for the benefit of the American people. They speak for the benefit of their bottom line. We, the American people, know what is best for us. We demand that you represent our best interests and not the lobbying groups of the ISPs. We may not have the money, but we do have the drive and soul to fight Corporate America... Please, for the good of the common American citizen, classify the ISPs as common carriers.

—Brandon Palko, Arlington, VA

The airwaves and the Internet belongs to the people, not the corporations. Take your hands off of my Internet.

—Janice McAlister, Ann Arbor, MI

To assure freedom of information for all users and prohibit corporate control of the internet.

—Marshall Norris, Las Vegas, NV

Don't change to a two-tiered system! It will be detrimental to the majority of Americans.

—Jo Ann Basgall, Ithaca, NY

It is imperative that you reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—James Johnston, Cape Elizabeth, ME

You can't let this happen. The internet is everything America was supposed to be. Equality for everyone. Equal ground, letting everyone's voice be heard at the same volume. No one able to buy their way to make themselves more important or louder than anyone else. Please, reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Benjamin Bernard, Branford, CT

Protect net neutrality. The internet is a public good. All must have equal access. No favoritism for rich users. Classify all ISPs as common carriers.

—Cahit Kitaplioglu, Scotts Valley, CA

I think the internet should not be limited by the providers, everyone should have an equal chance to compete. This change would bring an monopoly on the market (which ISP's already have in the USA). It will also limit a large portion of the country to not browse the internet without discrimination.

—Thijs van de Kamp, CHAPEL HILL, NC

The FCC's focus should be on pursuing regulations that strengthen Net Neutrality, rather than helping big corporations undermine it to ultimately allow for censorship and predatory price gouging. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers; protect Net Neutrality and it's consumers from the oligopoly you have allowed to be created under the proposed discriminatory Internet Rules.

—Morgan Butay, Concord, CA

The public has made it clear, over and over and over again, that they are in favor of Net Neutrality. These new rules will compromise Net Neutrality, so they must NOT PASS.

—Mr. Michael Morel, San Francisco, CA

This is outrageous. The Internet providers are clearly a utility, common carrier and should be re-classified as such. This is a tragedy for our country. We must be a country that supports net neutrality and innovation. Not the greed of special interests, that seem to now have control of the FCC. Represent the people you were meant too.

—Bruce Macfarlane, Key Largo, FL

We in the USA invented the Internet. I suppose that gives us the right to kill it. But let's not. There's enough about which we can be embarrassed. (Not the least of which is language like this, up with which we should not put.) There's no need add fuel to that fire. Let's so something we can be proud of: classify ISPs as common carriers. For science. For we, the people.

—Alan Labouseur, Pleasant Valley, NY

Internet isn't For Sale, Stop trying to sell the People's Internet to corrupt Corporations who have violated American Privacy and played a major role increasing a United States of Stasi which is absolutely Unconstitutional and don't be a sell out and a disgrace American Wheeler. Restore Net Neutrality Now!!

—Patrik Panosian, Sun Valley, CA

Government shouldn't interfere with commerce.

—Patrick Walsh, Chanhassen, MN

An open internet where everyone has the same access to making themselves heard is essential to American democracy. The internet must be neutral.

—Nicholas verbos, West allis, WI

Everyone deserves access all of the internet.

—Jebbie, Lenexa, KS

Because I wouldn't like my favorite websites to be my only websites. If part of the internet is slow just so the popular parts can be faster, than that's not very equal opportunity for anything. Isn't there a law about equal opportunity in the us? It applies to racial and theological equality yes, but the message is the same. Save net neutrality for a better and farer system

—Kevin Casto, Aurora, IL

The reclassification of ISPS as common carriers is the only solution to this corporate fiasco. Public servants at the FCC work for taxpayers, not corporations. Your decisions are supposed to protect and benefit TAXPAYER CITIZENS.

—Teresa M Robinson, Smithfield, VA

I use the internet daily, and to be told that I have to pay an ISP, and the website I'm viewing has to pay as well or they get slowed down, that's a terrible philosophy. The owner of the website already pays his hosting dues elsewhere, why should he have to pay twice? And if he does pay twice, I'll have to pay him more for the same level of content! It's not fair, and it shouldn't be allowed.

—Anthony Carter, Gold Beach, OR

NO NO NO This is not "Net Neutrality". How can this proposal even be named "Net Neutrality"? "Net to help large corporations, that have their fingers deep into my pockets, help Tom Wheeler and his cohorts" That's a more accurate title. Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.

—Joseph Christianson, San Diego, CA

Protect the rights of the constituents. This is modern day segregation.

—Abhishek Mehta, Alpharetta, GA

Net Neutrality is important because it allows businesses to communicate with each other and with banks, plus it is a large part of our business infrastructure.

—Matthew Carrizoza, Garden City, ID

I am on a limited budget with 2 kids in school and 1 child with Type 1 Diabetes using the internet for higher education and learning skills. NOT FAIR to DISCRIMINATE CONTENT or MAKE THE INTERNET HARDER TO GET FOR MIDDLE INCOME FAMILY CHILDREN!!! SO SAD, HERE AGAIN ALL ABOUT BIG COMPANIES AND THEIR ALL MIGHTY DOLLARS!

—Regina Pulley, Evansville, IN

I look at Net Neutrality as a most profound value to all the internet-users worldwide. If this is to be destroyed, the internet will lose its basic neutral and democratic freedom. It is in my view of the utmost importance to stop service providers like AT&T, Comcast etc. to take advantage and create a two-tiered Internet!

—Erich Strebel, Zurich,

The Net should belong to everyone, not just to a few with money.

—Kieran Fenlon, Cookeville, TN

The single most important thing the FCC will ever do is mandate real Net Neutrality. Stop delaying, smoke screening, humouring lobbyist (or taking bribes), and entertaining alternative none-sense actions and do the right, ethical, and simplest rule: Net Neutrality. It will save consumers long term and guarantee economic prosperity, never mind the altruistic benefits.

—Arsham Skrenes, Washington, DC

Because the Internet has become necessary for so many people today it must remain a part of the public domain not monetized to serve the wishes of the big corporations.

—Parker Haynes, Carson, NM

You are allowing a select few, greedy groups to pick and choose who has access and/or the right to use the internet. That sure sounds like a monopoly and is definitely going to put our country into a tailspin never seen before as far as home based employment is concerned. Not to mention our economy will be in a depression mode and may not recover. Quit thinking about the greed and lobbyists putting the shaft to the American public or there will be chaos everywhere. Let's be logical and realize that if this is made law, the negative repercussions will far outweigh the benefits that your seeing now!! I thought our country was working to have a non-discriminating society, if this is enacted we will be regressing to a time of great oppression!

—Chuck Arnone, Lakewood, CO

Net Neutrality is absolutely vital to the open exchange of ideas and a level playing field for small businesses. Please ensure that the net remains open and fair for all.

—Jimmie Thomas, Houston, TX

Net Neutrality is very important for all society - do not allow the crooked ISPs to further exploit the internet users and get away with not paying a cent in taxes and just draining everyone's pockets. The republicans represent the corporations - don't let those pigs get away with it.

—Rio Solorzano, El Paso, TX

If you let this act continue than, there will be a two class system of internet users. The rich and the poor. It is essentially taking away from everyone else to give more to the rich, yet again.

—Dalton Wisnefski, Toulon, IL

How can you remove the rights of individuals from having open information? Our rights are being taken away from us on a regular basis and Net Neutrality needs to be enacted on the internet. We are not China.

—William Danch, Beaverton, OR

The internet needs to remain a free place where ideas can be exchange openly, free from the infiltration and influence of massive corporations who put the bottom line before people. It will cause the technological and social advancements being made by the is country to come to a halt.
—William Martinez, Santa Clarita, CA

Internet access is a basic utility in the modern world. It should be regulated as a public necessity.
—Rueben James Gutierrez, Los Alamos, NM

No discrimination! ISPs should not be allowed to create a two-tiered system because it eliminates incentives to deliver better service within an industry that already has very little competition to incentivize creating better service. The FCC should instead regulate ISPs as a necessary public communication method that needs enhancement for all, not just a few. If the FCC wants to limit the free market for the benefit of the public majority they represent, then stop ISPs from creating monopolies and charging more money for the same, or less, value offered. If, on the other hand, the FCC wants to leave the free market alone to benefit the public majority they represent, then don't create rules that allow ISPs to create monopolies and charge more for the same, or less, value provided.
—Austin Holt, Brooklyn, NY

Please, please, please for the sake of small businesses across the US do not take our net neutrality away. There is no way that small businesses will get a fair shake if control of the flow of the internet is given over to corporate interests. What's good for the people is good for the United States!
—Mr. Richard Brislin, Boulder, CO

There is no logical justification for the FCC to fail to reclassify internet service providers as common carriers. That is unless the FCC has become just another corporate servant failing to protect and preserve the rights of the public. With your proposed internet rules, the FCC is part of the problem, not part of the solution. The FCC should make the choice to reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Joseph Burgwinkle, Worcester, MA

Net neutrality as it stands is the way to go..Change in favor of corporations profits is obscene. Whatever happened to majority rule?. The Majority of us want net neutrality. Enough of the 1% running things. Its time for the 99% to have a say in their future. If anyone needs to change and adapt to the times let it be the ones who can afford it, not the ones who cannot.
—Sean Smith, miami, FL

Please reclassify internet providers as common carriers. Don't make our access to free speech harder through fees that would be more favorable to big business but crushing to ordinary citizens.
—Mary Orders, Morganton, NC

Keep the entertainment conglomerates out of our access to the internet.
—Rick Blanc, Los Angeles, CA

Because it's the right thing to do. Throw out the two-tier plan & reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Brian J Doherty, Culver City, CA

Give me liberty or give me death. A government for the people, by the people. Do not allow corporate greed to overpower the greater good. Free flowing of information will build our society into something great. Support true net neutrality.
—Tyler Davis, Van Nuys, CA

Preserving net neutrality is incredibly important for our country. I'm concerned about the growing economic gap between the 'haves' and the 'have-nots'. Allowing the internet to become a tiered system would widen the gap and make it even harder for low-income families to make a better life for themselves. I'm also increasingly concerned with the power of large corporations in America, especially when it comes to the political arena. Please do not give corporations like Comcast, AT&T, and Verizon the opportunity to increase their own power and overwhelm the voices of average Americans.

—Jenna Godfrey, Charlottesville, VA

I don't agree with this two-tiered system you seem to feel is equal. Separate is not equal. We learned that in the Civil Rights days.

—Mrs. Gunta Norman, Coquille, OR

Net Neutrality provides a just and level playing ground for the small computer user as well as big corporations. No more favoritism to corporations. They're doing just fine on their own.

—Willeam Hornbeck, Port Hadlock, WA

Net neutrality is essential for ensuring the internet remains a free and democratic vehicle for the exchange of ideas. I am stunned and deeply disappointed that the FCC is not doing all it can to support this. Support ISPs as common carriers!

—Matthew McElligott, Selkirk, NY

Please keep the Internet free for everyone. Don't ban Net Neutrality, it's a clear violation of American rights and freedom for everyone. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Janessa Sanders, ALBUQUERQUE, NM

ISPs are common carriers much in the way phone companies are. They should be reclassified as such.

—Ian Gustafson, Waltham, MA

NOT EVERYONE CAN AFFORD FAST LANE SO YOUR FORCING US TO PAY MONEY IF WE WANT OUR STUFF FASTER
WHO IN THE WORLD DO YOU THINK YOU ARE TO CHANGE WHAT I WANT?

—Sunny, London,

the internet is one of the few truly open means of expression left. don't let that go under

—Emma Stephenson, Beamsville,

It is important, our right and our obligation as citizens of a free society to keep the internet neutral and free for all. You must be aware of the social control that is spreading through every aspect of our society and we all have an obligation to our children and the future generations of this country to leave them a better world. I respectfully request your support on this issue, because a lot depends on it. Thank you so much for your time! Have a great day!

—Ali Villalobos, Miami, FL

Yo everyone wants net neutrality, except the greedy terrible people trying to ruin things for everyone else. Don't dare touch net neutrality because we won't let you get away with it!!!!

—Alana McDowell, Los Angeles, CA

ISPs must be reclassified as common carriers. Don't change the best thing America has done in the last 50 years.

—Rob Verdi, Fredericksburg, VA

FCC Chairman Thomas Wheeler is pushing a plan that would allow Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon to create a multi-tiered Internet, with paid fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slower, more crowded narrow band for the rest of us. Even more importantly, these companies would, effectively, have the power to pick winners and losers online and to discriminate against online organizations, content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it. The only way to protect true Net Neutrality is to vote down Chairman Wheeler's proposal and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This move calls for great personal courage on the part of the other four commissioners to defeat Wheeler's proposal and to instead use their power to stand for democracy and to protect our nation's freedom of speech by reclassifying the ISP's as common carriers. Robert C. McInnes

—Robert C. McInnes, Sarasota, FL

Net neutrality is essential to prevent the US from becoming an economic and technical backwater!

—Richard Prigan, Columbus, OH

Net Neutrality is a protection for the general public.

—Leroy Clark, Washington, DC

The Internet is supposed to be an open place for people to be able to express themselves and obtain information, not to mention certain websites should not have blocks placed on them to slow down the connection. We all pay for our internet. Do not take away the things we PAY for, i pay to have high-speed internet, and i EXPECT it to be high-speed, not high-speed on some websites and slow as can be on one where i stream video or things like that. no one has any right to do this. ISP's should not be given "special privileges" to cut down our speeds, everything else like cable and satellite have enough hidden fees, if you cut down speeds that will lead to many frustrated people, not to mention people will most likely discontinue service with certain internet providers that do this which is going to destroy work for people in the IT industry. you're going to kill the internet. just stop. If you want to do something with the internet, get our internet speeds up with the rest of the world.

—Alixandrea Rachel, Mansfield, OH

Net Neutrality helps keep our freedom of speech alive. We the People need not to have the ISP deciding what we can view and what we can't. They need to remain as common carriers of internet.

—Joan Rainwater-Gish, Eureka, CA

Dear FCC, Net Neutrality is important as it reflects the concept of free choice. I would not deny that some safeguards might be needed but I appeal to your sense of dignity and responsibility to consider the issue fairly and thoroughly and make the right decision. Sincerely, Aleksandr

—Aleksandr Savchenko, LLN,

FCC throw these rules out and reclassify ISPS as common carriers. Everything is online now, job applications, homework and school work for children in school and even adults in college. Just throw out your rules.

—Kaila Rager, Shelby, OH

Could we please keep the "Net" clear of those that have versus those that have not. Keep the access available to all and let not the money rule this too.

—Robert Osborne, San Jacinto, CA

Dear FCC, Despite the opinion and influence of large internet service providers, the elimination of, or mutilating the definition of net neutrality is at best an indirect encroachment on American citizens right to free speech. I, and many of my peers, are vehemently opposed to the change that you are suggesting. Do not allow big business to decide what can be seen and what can't online.

—Megan Reynolds, Arcata, CA

Creating a two-tiered internet would be immensely biased, and last I checked, this country was built for equality for all. Besides, it'd immensely reduce the amount of internet traffic, which would in turn drastically damage our economy, as the amount of online transactions would be significantly reduced. Nobody would want anything to do with the internet if they have to pay a ton of extra fees to get anything done!

—Zachary Babcock, Ocala, FL

Tom Wheeler MUST be fired in order for the FCC to do their job. He used to lobby for the very same companies that are trying to KILL net neutrality, and how he was appointed as chairman in the first place, really makes me lose faith in my government. ENOUGH DE-REGULATION ALREADY!!! Do we seriously want to end up with ONE corporation that controls ALL communications AND the entire traffic on the INTERNET????

—Omar Campos-Ertel, Spokane Valley, WA

Net Neutrality is important to me because I believe that everyone should have equal access to information.

—Linda Silberman, Jackson Heights, NY

Giving lower priority to non-corporate sites will limit innovation and make us a less relevant country. We have to support all blossoming independent developers and services, as an example to the world and to keep our country healthy. Thank you so much for considering public opinion on this issue!

—Alex Wawroski, Astoria, NY

Let's keep this a country where dreams become reality. Let's keep the internet an equal grounds for everyone. Let's keep the net neutral.

—Austin Flanagan, El Dorado Hills, CA

Please keep all things neutral

—Derek James von Oettinger BSN, Madison Hts., MI

Really, Mr. Wheeler? Really? Allowing ISPs to create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can pay extra fees, and slow lanes for those who can't is the height of discrimination. Allowing ATT, Comcrap, et al., the right to create an online haves and have nots scenario to discriminate against content and application is wrong. Re-classify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you.

—Yvonne Shine, Colorado Springs, CO

Everyone's allowed to access all kinds of information.

—Nina Rodriguez, Durham, NC

I urge you to reclassify ISPs as common carriers to preserve net neutrality! Doing otherwise would be detrimental to the internet and American people as a whole.

—Lauren, Stony Brook, NY

Please the net neutral. There should continue to be a one tier network. No one should get extra bandwidth by paying more for a similar unit of data..

—John sollid, Poulsbo, WA

I do not agree with giving the ISPs the right throttle down or charge more for specific internet sites and to control internet speed by site or charge more by site. This promotes economic inequality for the consumers of information and allow for big companies to control what info we see. This is an assault on our democracy. FCC has to stop it. The great invention that is driving freedom, innovation, and enhancing communications of ideas is the Free Internet.

—Waldo Rodriguez, Orlando, FL

Mr. Wheeler, Allowing ISPs to throttle various websites and discriminating quality of service is ludicrous. Please reconsider your current plan and make quality broadband services available to all. Best, Nick Schnurr

—Nick Schnurr, Denver, CO

Society cannot go forward if our common channel, the Internet, is being classified by additional payments. The speed limits damage content sharing and application performance of start-ups etc who cannot or will not pay. Who is benefiting from those payments? Please leave the internet as it is, speed determined by ISP contract.

—Vesa Kaakkuriniemi, Jyväskylä,

Please throw out the rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Please save Net Neutrality. Thank you

—Shirley White, Birmingham, MI

I think it is important to maintain a state of net neutrality.

—Alexis Renk, Roselle, IL

The internet cannot work without net neutrality. The internet is an uncensored forum where everyone, even the most marginal groups can have a voice that will be heard. To shut that down to give special treatment to companies, leaving the individual, the small, the powerless with just scraps, would be an act of extreme cruelty. The internet is a right of the people, and it should remain for the people. To deny them that would be a human rights violation.

—Rafael Varas, Santiago de Chile,

To protect all citizens right to access information freely.

—JL Holland, Albuquerque, NM

The net is being stolen by a few big players. It should be equal access for all.

—Steve@ganzguitars.com H Ganz, Blaine, WA

Net neutrality is essential. Does this mean next step is having my phone conversations monitored and deemed either appropriate or inappropriate by a media conglomerate?

—Charlene Englerth, Sarasota, FL

Net neutrality is essential keep the society and commerce in a fair and competitive environment.

—Jocelyn Levesque, Beaconsfield,

We must maintain an open and free internet, period.

—Paul & Natalie Cornez, Stoystown, PA

Net Neutrality needs to be in place because large internet companies should not be able to put in place these fees as it would put hinder to places with free wi-fi and libraries with computer access if certain groups of websites were not available because of "packaging".

—Austin Covington, Lake Havasu City, AZ

Mr. Wheeler, Your proposal as chairman of the FCC on new internet rules are outrageous and would put an end to anything resembling Net Neutrality. It would establish a multi-tiered system where money buys visibility. Make AT&T, Comcast, Verizon and any others who come along common carriers. Protect the public and not the private interests of companies and their shareholders.

—Mary Anne Lushe, St. Clair Shores, MI

Keep the internet free!

—Bridget Pena, Richmond, CA

The internet should be a free and fair marketplace for all those who use it. This will hurt small businesses web traffic substantially. No one should have to pay extra for "better" or faster internet.

—Aubrey Owens, Albuquerque, NM

Net Neutrality must absolutely be guaranteed to everyone, because rampant discrimination online may result in frustration of many people, and eventually in social revolt!

—Helmgard Ziehm, Bruges,

Keep the internet neutral. Don't let the large corporations dictate as to what we can access.

—Terry T. Hulbert, Wethersfield, CT

Net Neutrality is important to me because I want to surf when and where I want to surf. This is America not China! I am, quite frankly, tired of having to bend over and take it from corporations because greedy parasites keep selling out to the Corporations. Haven't the American people been screwed enough by not getting raises for the past 10 yrs; their taxes being used for frivolous lawsuits by the GOP; segregation in schools again...I could go on and on. Do the right thing for once!

—Gina Raggette, East Orange, NJ

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. It is in the interest of all Americans and certainly the most important freedom of speech threat of our time if they are not. Big money cannot win over the basic right of every person to access the same information.

—Mark Estrada, Los Angeles, CA

This would create a fast lane for companies that can afford the steep tolls — and push the rest of us to a slower tier of service.

—Annette Eland, Fair Oaks, CA

Net Neutrality is important to me, not just because of how truly awful providers like Comcast are to do business with, but because I believe it telcom should be considered a utility. Telcom providers like AT&T and Comcast did not build the infrastructure they use. Taxpayers like me did, and now I'm forced to use their lackluster service.

—Ashley Chenn, Salt Lake City, UT

The creation of the vast interconnected webway of servers and data centers that we today call the internet is almost certainly the most important global infrastructure project ever undertaken. Though its power the spread of knowledge and ideas between all the minds of our world has been facilitated to a degree undreamt of not a single human lifespan ago. It's easy to forget our roots, us who only live 85 years or so, but just think that it's been 10,000 years since we invented agriculture, and 6,000 years since we built the first city. In the last half a century we've seen the globe gain the ability to communicate, face to face, and in real time, ideas and inventions that have changed the future of our species irrevocably. Could you even begin to wonder at the marvels we'll have achieved by the end of this century, let alone in the next 10,000 years? What started in 1965 as a linkage between two DARPA computers in Massachusetts and California grew, slowly at first, but with the exponential potential that we've come to know, into a series of inter-connected Universities whose sole purpose was the open exchange of information for the sake of allowing the next generation to learn as even more efficiently than the last, and to foster the exchange of ideas to those who could best make use of them. What we have today is not that creation of the military and education industries. It has evolved into something much larger and more powerful. It has given every person on the globe the power to hold the live sum total of all human knowledge in the palm of their hand, as the Library of Alexandria would have striven to do, if it were not lorded over by the rich and conceited. If you don't know the story of the Library of Alexandria, then let me tell you at least a little of its grandeur: It was the largest repository of information that had ever built, bar none. When ships came to port they were boarded and searched, but not for illegal cargo or contraband. They were looking for books, scrolls, and anything else that could be copied to add the library's collection of literature, plays, mathematics, philosophy, anything really. They were hackers, of a sort, one might suppose; taking copies of the information others held. Access to this glorious store of knowledge was, however, restricted. Only the rich upper class and those attending the highest schools of learning could use it. They limited the flow of knowledge, knowing full well how powerful it could be. Some of the most famous minds of the ancient world studied there, and it flourished as the global center for academic works. Today our libraries may have private stacks, databases of scholarly articles, or other restricted archives, but the vast and overwhelming majority of what we as a species know is out there, just waiting to be accessed. Knowledge is power, and with power comes responsibility. I believe I speak for the people of Earth when I say that we see it as our responsibility that our forbearers — our children — have no lessened ability to access our intellectual heritage than we do today, and it at all possible: even more so. The internet today is a global resource. It is as important to the ways of our world as the air we breathe is to you and me. Without it the global machinery that keeps billions upon billions of people busy, warm, and fed would come to a grinding halt, and having half the planet being very hungry with nothing to do does not sound like a recipe for a good time to me. It is therefore vital that access to it be made as universally equal as is technologically possible. Oh, I never did tell you what became of the Library of Alexandria, did I? While the exact date unknown, as is the party to blame, it seems that as political dissent grew in the city which housed it the ruling class decided to tighten the proverbial shackles, tensions with neighboring powers rose, and wars were started (if any of this sounds familiar, fear not: it is merely coincidence, as history has shown to never repeat itself). When a great fire descended upon the city, and the library was in its hour of greatest need, none of the general citizens of Alexandria came to its aide. For the hubris of its overseers, the world's greatest source of power was left to burn. And incalculable amount of research and culture was lost along with a shining beacon of higher learning, and the world was plunged into an intellectual dark age that spanned centuries. Somewhere there is a child, dreaming of growing up to be someone who can make a difference in the world, their ideals untainted by our society's self-destructive tendencies. Their heart swells with pride at the thought that they might have the chance to help make the future a better place for us all, that despite all the odds against them they could truly be a force for good. For everyone. Dare mighty things.

—Chris Rysdale, Aptos, CA

Protect the open internet so it is fair for everyone. Reclassify isps as common carriers and reinstate real net neutrality.

—Andy Thoman, Crested butte, CO

A retired 70-ish college professor, I use the internet 4-7 hours daily. On my synced desktop, iPhone, or iPad, I pursue 2-10 searches a day for information, email, Netflix series & films, research, games, recipes, puzzles, ebooks, directions, etc. Paying more for internet access is not a good option -- doing without isn't either! The US is already stumbling along with slower and less reliable internet access at much higher prices than most of the rest of the world. Like water and electricity, our internet services should be locally regulated as utilities. In any case, allowing too-big-to-even-anger corporate ISPs to charge whatever they want for "tiers" they designate of internet service will only further cripple our limping democracy. Please do not do this. Stand up. Grow up. Be someone your daughter would be proud of, if she knew the truth.

—Pam Reagor, Irvine, CA

Are you people as crooked as it seems? Bought and paid for by AT&T, Verizon, Comcast and their ilk. Shame on you. ISPs should be common carriers! KK

—Kenneth Kearney, Weyanoke, LA

The last place to be heard and tell truth is on internet No rights in court of law no truth in our newspapers Don't shut us out from our first amendment!

—Jessica Brown, Westbrook, ME

We Americans do not have the advantage of lobbyists to fight for our rights. We deserve & demand to have net neutrality continue. Do the right thing & reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Judy Edgar, Phoenix, AZ

You MUST not allow corporate interests and profit motives to influence the public access to any part of the internet! ISPs and Telcos may create paid-access sites if they like, but to have ISPs or Telcos control our content is reprehensible and should NEVER be allowed! Thank you, David Stuart

—David Stuart, Queen Creek, AZ

This is a incredibly stupid and unfair idea. Why don't you just quit and let someone that knows what they are doing take your job

—Justin Ki Ryder, Fort Campbell, TN

The internet is a fundamental information tool. For countries to prosper it is necessary for the internet to be available at high speed for everyone. All governments should take steps to ensure that all internet users have similar speed availability. Please do not allow commercial interests to interfere with Net neutrality

—Charles Mitchell, Farnham Common,

The internet is for Everyone! Let's keep it that way. It's good for the world. Let's keep it that way!!

—Tom Woodside, Weyanoke, LA

Hey, FCC, have you really thought about what will happen to universities if these changes go through? Either they'll increase tuition to cover the costs of keeping their websites online, or they'll say "sorry, can't do that" and give the shaft to thousands of students attending the university online. Either way, that's thousands of students that will be driven away from pursuing their college dreams.

—Chanel Tompkins, Hyrum, UT

It is imperative to preserve net neutrality by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Money should not be the determining factor in net neutrality.

—Diane Andrews, Santa Clara, CA

Because it allows for a kind of equality we only dream of in real life.

—Catalina Bastias Levy, Santiago,

Dear FCC Chairman Wheeler and Commissioners, Please keep the internet free by throwing out your ruling of May 15, 2014 which may allow Internet Service Providers to charge content companies for priority treatment, relegating other content to a slower tier of service. It is imperative that the internet remain a place where all data is treated equally and access to all data and apps remain unfettered by a provider's profit motives. Without Net Neutrality, competition and innovation, a cornerstone of this nation's greatness, would be quashed. In addition, access to free speech, a founding principle of The Constitution would be jeopardized. I implore you to reclassify ISPs as common carriers to avoid the scenarios outlined above. Every citizen, no matter what their economic class, deserves the right to a neutral net.

—Mr. John Noble, New York, NY

There have been so many things taken away from us in the last few years, don't let this be one more thing. Big business has more than enough. Why do they need this? They don't. They want it because it gives them more power over us. Don't let them take the internet away from us.

—Roseanne Salyer, Commerce City, CO

Net Neutrality is supposed to be open for everyone worldwide to express their feelings, opinions, comments, etc. This would defy the point of freedom if NN was to be banned, meaning internet's not free for all. People have the right to be free, not to be restricted by censorship. Censorship causes blindness, as we speak. Also, we have freedom of speech, recalling back from Amendment 1, so what's the point of taking that away?

—Qt, Pittsburg, CA

ISP's should be reclassified as COMMON CARRIERS. How will small companies benefit from this ordeal? What about the people that **DEPEND** on the internet as a means to communicate to others? I demand that action be done and you should be ashamed of yourself!

—Aaron Morris, akron, OH

Net neutrality is a fundamental human right. The internet should first and foremost be a global communication network. Not a corporate cash machine.

—William Lawrence, Boston,

I am a twenty-five year old woman diagnosed with Aspergers Syndrome and I have been using the free and open Internet as the source of all resources for the past twelve years. I grew up in a family that always keeps talking during conversations while I have trouble trying to keep up with all the chatter and I don't think they seem to understand the fact that I am an adult U.S. citizen with the right to live my own life, make my own decisions and voice my own opinion offline and online. Since high school I was very shy and quiet and had been struggling to try to be more talkative and outgoing, fit in with other people, get good grades, and manage my behavior due to Aspergers. I have graduated since then but I'm still trying to have a better understanding of my disability as well as everything happening in the outside world. I had visited various websites and read several blog posts from people who have a better understanding of disabilities, social injustice, politics, the environment, science and history. Through this I learned to have better self control, learned more than I did from both school and television, connected with real people online and developed a stronger sense of critical thinking. I even amazed my family members with my newfound knowledge whenever they try to figure out the name of a celebrity in a movie or how to solve a complex problem in a certain way. Now I'm afraid I wouldn't be able to have all the knowledge at my fingertips to learn to function as an adult in today's society thanks to your new and not improved plan to save Net Neutrality. Without the idea of having ISP's reclassified under Title II of the Telecommunications Act, I would have to pay a fortune to have the free and open high-speed Internet to gain unbiased and uncensored information! I tried to warn my family about how bad losing net neutrality will be but they didn't believe me. I'm currently living with my sister while we are learning to live on our own and we have been living paycheck to paycheck trying to have every necessity every American is expected to have! If we lose Net Neutrality by allowing this horrible pay-to-play plan to happen, my sister will have to give up paying to keep the Internet in our home and I will lose my only form of endless information and free speech. My whole family will be treating me like a mumbling toddler trapped in a grown women's body again and I'll never know what's really right and what's really wrong when reading and listening to biased information on television and on the radio! There are countless other people with mental and physical disabilities that rely on the net neutral Internet to gain more knowledge, voice their experiences, and connect with other people worldwide. If you want everyone in this country to make progress through life and keep every right as U.S. citizens to have Freedom, Justice, and the Pursuit of Happiness, **PLEASE RECLASSIFY INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS UNDER TITLE II OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT!!!** That's all we want! ISP's reclassified under Title II of the Telecommunications Act!!! I know you've been hearing this suggestion day in and day out, but it's the only way to save Net Neutrality! **HAVE ALL ISP'S RECLASSIFIED UNDER TITLE II OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT!!!** Your job is to serve us! Not yourself! Not the big cable companies! Serve the consumers! **SERVE US!!!**

—Allysa Rettler, Rubicon, WI

Any two-tiered system will eventually, if not immediately, result in big companies being the only ones with voices on the internet. **DO NOT LET THIS HAPPEN! EVER! PLEASE** reclassify broadband providers as common carriers! Keep the internet free!

—Erin Hall Lewis, Pasco, WA

The Internet is not for sale.

—Roman Hapek, Mississauga,

With the first deadline for public comments looming, I wanted to once again reach out and emphasize the importance of real net neutrality. I implore FCC chairman Tom Wheeler to reconsider and reclassify internet service providers as common carriers. Thank you, Menno de Boer
—Menno de Boer, Redondo Beach, CA

Internet service providers must be classed as common carriers. It is important for our democracy. Anything else will make big money become big brother.

—Michael Gilligan, Garrison, NY

Any real democracy will stagnate without unregulated access to information. The internet can be a repository for such information, but only if no telecom company can prioritize information that may be biased in their favor. One may argue that such will not be the case, but as we know corporations are required by law to maximize profits, meaning that if restricting critical information helps the corporate pocket book, telecom corporations have a very compelling incentive to do so. Protecting Net Neutrality alone won't be enough to guard against this possibility of abuse, but allowing for an internet fast-lane will MOST DEFINITELY make such protections nearly impossible. Do the right thing, FCC. Classify the internet as a common carrier. And to Tom Wheeler directly: I implore you not to scratch the backs of your former colleagues. If you have any professional integrity at all, please do not do what they ask for, for the good of our whole country.

—William Hall, Tucson, AZ

I support net neutrality. It is what makes the internet a fair and even playing field. Net neutrality is what makes the internet, the internet.

—Max Esser, madison, WI

Free speech is free, meaning without restrictions, unrestrained, unconfined, unbound. Speech does not belong to the highest bidder. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Terry Rowe, Peoria, IL

Hands off OUR Net! Only a control freak who is in serious need of deep psychiatric therapy would ever go down the route of trying to control the lives of others. It is time now for evolved law makers to manifest a life of their own rather than trying to hijack the lives of others - just because they can. It is an abuse of power and therefore is abusive behavior. This is not acceptable in the 21st century. Thanks.

—S Tuffham, New York, NY

The internet needs to be, and must, remain free. To allow money grubbing corporations such as AT&T, Comcast, etc, to dictate how/when/why it should be regulated is an affront to all things good and decent.

—Ian Wakely, Oshawa,

Our USA Constitution is based on the principles of freedom, speech, etc. Let us assure now and the future the internet is net neutrality to coincide with these principles of freedom..... thanks

—Angelo Sturino, park ridge, IL

We need Net Neutrality to invest in our future as a GLOBAL society. Let all voices be heard!

—Barbara Piszczek, Oxnard, CA

You must reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Daniel Rosales, Highland, CA

Without real net neutrality the progress and further evolution of the Internet will be halted, if not stopped. Atleast an evolution for the better. I am 100% certain that a two-lane system would be exploited to the max and that would screw so many people over, a screwing that could never be undone. Which would be a, in my humble opinion, fatal blow to the freedom the Internet provides people all over the world. Do not screw everybody over. Do the right thing, go with real net neutrality.

—Ludwig Lundström Rova, Umeå,

I want ISPs reclassified as common carriers. I refuse to stay silent while the FCC tries to push through rules that would allow ISPs to discriminate between users. I want real net neutrality, not discrimination that favors big companies and their fast lane plans and gives the rest of us the short end of the stick. ISPs should not have this power of discrimination of internet use; not now, not ever.

—Matthew Stephenson, Cave City, AR

The internet should by no means be a domain of partiality as there is no practical common incentive for such. Simple as that.

—Benjamin Duerksen, Oxford, OH

I don't understand when an overwhelming number of Americans don't want to lose net neutrality, yet there seems to be a question. How about doing what the people want and tell the big money guys to find some other sandbox to play in.

—James Hicks, Seattle, WA

FCC: Throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.

—T Bolton, Durham,

To the degree that Internet service providers are already disliked, why are you impelled to make an already "imbalanced-balance", worse? Enough of this madness, is enough, Mr. Chairman. Please, take it upon yourself to do the will of the people and instead, push to reclassify ISPs, as common carriers. It's really about the dollar bills though, huh? I mean, when does "enough" become too much? Tell the average person that "it's raining" Mr. Chairman, and I'm sure that all will believe you.

—Fredrick Stroud, Blackwood, NJ

The Internet needs to be an open forum for the exchange of ideas. It's critical if we want this country to maintain any semblance of democracy. Print and broadcast media has already degenerated into a mouthpiece for Corporate America, in which huge corporations are the only entities with enough money to get their voices heard by large audiences. Without net neutrality, the Internet will suffer the same fate and the diversity of opinions expressed in public, widely accessible forums will suffer a crushing blow. This is totally unacceptable, and would move us much closer to an Orwellian police state.

—Dave Peterson, San Francisco, CA

Please support the people's need for learning and healing and DO NOT sacrifice this to the agenda of corporate/ruling elite.

—Dave Weaver, Rio Rancho, NM

The internet has become a basic and necessary service for us all in the modern world. It is imperative that it remain neutral - treating all content and users equally. If you let large corporations and other vested interests have faster access for their services or products, it will undermine the basic principles of the internet and allow some people to be more equal than others. This will stifle innovation. Also it will interfere with our constitutional right to free expression and free association. Please protect genuine Net Neutrality.

—Jack Beinashowitz, Wayland, MA

Chairman, Please throw out your proposal for ending Net Neutrality and reclassify internet service providers as common carriers. It is essential that all internet traffic be treated equally and that tiered service does not become the norm, like TV. I can assure you, it will only get worse and the public outcry stronger if you try to end Net Neutrality. I'm sure you will be getting millions of these comments and who knows if you will even read them, but if you do, I hope that you realize you are caving to corporate interests instead of the american citizens whom you purport to serve. Once again, I implore you to do the right thing. Help keep the internet free, open, fair and equal. Thanks!

—John Budnick, Seattle, WA

FCC throw out your rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. NET NEUTRALITY! NO slow dirt INTERNET roads for the PEOPLE of our Nation - DO NOT BE BOUGHT BY THE LOBBYISTS !

—Martitia Palmer, WINNETKA, CA

Reclassify broadband internet as a title II common carrier telecommunications service!

—Joe Campbell, Antioch, CA

Who are you that you think were not outraged at your disgusting attempts to make winners and losers out of the internet. I don't care how many times you have eaten at President Obamas. Your being watched at every move dude. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers!!!!

—wendy Paley, Boca Raton, FL

Because I value my freedom

—James Smith, Butte city, CA

Dear FCC: I am strongly in favor of net neutrality. The current proposed rules burden the internet and hinder the country's economy that is more and more based on the exchange of ideas and information on the internet. Please withdraw the proposed regulations and take appropriate action to insure that the US remains net neutral.

—C John Cotton, Gillette, WY

Ending net neutrality will hurt innovation and the creation of new businesses. Most importantly, ending net neutrality will create an upper class and lower class of internet users which is bad for all citizens.

—John Hession, Revere, MA

The internet must remain free of private incentives and corporate controls. Access to information and services is critical for a community of people, for a free citizenry, and for open global development. We the people are not served or benefited from a small few corporate interests which retain controls over access to such a service. Net neutrality is absolutely necessary, and as a citizen of this nation who built the foundation of the internet, I request you take decisive action to create and enforce laws enforcing an internet that is made available without corporate manipulation.

—Keith Horton, Sammamish, WA

Dear FCC, Please do whatever is necessary to ensure net neutrality, i.e., reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The internet is an absolute lifeline to Americans and it is the one entity that should not be allowed to be controlled by corporate interests. Please keep the internet a level playing field; sometimes the people have to win!

—Linda M Thomas, Cornell, MI

I oppose charging content providers for their bandwidth usage. It is a barrier to new innovation and a money grab scheme by internet service providers. They already hold a monopoly and charge the users and content providers for their connection to the internet, creating a stagnant marketplace where absurdities like these can even be considered. Please support net neutrality in a way that will support the people of the united states and promote competition that will enable better service to the country. a non neutral internet will not achieve this and will fragment the global economy as seen today. Thank you for listening

—Marshall Scholz, Wausau, WI

Please consider revising

—Scott Rower, Portland, OR

The internet must remain free and open. Internet "fast lanes" are nothing more than a dirty trick for huge ISP's to rake in more money. Why should an individual pay a monthly fee for a certain bitrate, another individual or company pay a monthly fee for their bitrate, then again have to pay an additional fee to actually get the bitrate both parties are already paying for? ISP's already don't guarantee their rated speeds. Leave the net open and neutral!

—Jeffrey Bradway, Rochester, NY

Getting rid of net neutrality is a violation of our first amendment rights.

—Douglas McAvity, Minturn, CO

Net Neutrality is the one thing that is fair in this world. Internet sites should be free, especially social media. Do not capitalize the internet.
—Donna, Milwaukee St, WI

Net neutrality is key to #obviousrightanswer
—Molly, Easthampton, MA

Net neutrality has been the core of innovation and expression on the Internet. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Michael A McCone, Seattle, WA

As a citizen whose tax dollars were used to originate the internet, as a citizen who has watched as private enterprise has expropriated, squeezed profits from this all important medium only to provide the slowest internet speeds unbefitting this so-called developed nation. I urge you to use your authority to reclassify ISPs as COMMON CARRIERS. I implore you to not only allow, but to strengthen Net Neutrality. Clearly, much has taken place over these last three decades to undermine, sell and bury what remains of Democracy in these United States. Please don't be another nail in that coffin by weakening one of the last vestiges of Democracy in this Country. I am confident my fellow citizens will stand with you, so please stand with us by reclassifying the internet so that it continues to serve the interests of the many and not the greed of the few.
—Murdock Holloway, Maricopa, AZ

The Internet must continue to be a level playing field, a place where there is true freedom.
—Robby O'Brien, Colorado Springs, CO

STOP TRYING TO TAKE OVER THE INTERNET YOU IDIOTS.
—Alison, eugene, OR

This the time for the FCC and Chairman Tom Wheeler to stand up for the citizens of our country, and to forebear showing favoritism to the big block-sized Internet service providers. Our country is currently going through a terrible and frightening crisis: the watering down and, yes, the silencing of voices of all of its citizens. To now silence the less affluent internet users and to allow discrimination to replace neutrality is just plain WRONG. I simply do not understand how the FCC can allow such flagrant bias and privilege to be given to money-grubbing corporations. A neutral internet is one of the last stands for our democracy, and the internet should not be used for corporate greed and control over other citizens. I beg you to throw out your proposed Internet rules and to reclassify ISPs as common carriers. PLEASE DO THE HONORABLE THING.
—Janet Lenihan, Berkeley, CA

Don't allow big business to hijack American internet. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Damien Scott, Toledo, OH

Net neutrality represents the protection of the newest and greatest economic frontier in history. The internet must remain free and open to preserve the idea that small business owners can still pursue the American Dream through the internet without the worry that no one will ever see their products or services due to "fast laning".
—Ian Lay, Madison, WV

I'm a fifteen year old boy who live about three hours away from his best friend. I'm told that if this bill were to go through it would be very difficult to play games online with him. The internet is the only way I can communicate/socialize with him. For the sake of our friendship please don't do this.
—Dylan Edge, Houston, TX

Net Neutrality has offered myself and family the opportunity to experience a type of assurance of health and safety, which is important for those of us living in rural areas. Professional health care units utilize the Internet for communicating with doctors. We can renew scripts and have them delivered to our home. We can leave email messages for our physicians, which allows for records to be accessed and reply care to occur either by a reply email with instructions or a phone call if the doctor deems it the right response. We have experienced the opportunity to gain higher educational course classes through Internet access. This would not be beneficial if providers have the ability to control the free exchange. How can anyone predict someone's personal need time? Staying in touch with children and grandchildren as well as friends through the Internet is a common task. My daughter continues a friendship with a childhood friend who married a military man that is stationed from one foreign country to another. Their communication is in real time across the world wide web. I am sure there are many instances of this type of camaraderie. Parents of sports players for example. Children who have gone off to camp and are trying to reach home. The Internet is more than email and resource information or ordering products to fix something like a car part. Social media outlets have allowed myself to monitor weather conditions. News media that is on the scene with the ability to get information out in real time have been the best life saver. My example: Hurricane Ivan To pay that moment back, which I am so grateful for all the tech abilities while my daughter was in Hurricane Ivan, which includes the military SOP and all the high tech communication networks. Net Neutrality - you bet! I relay information through the Internet during the tornado season. There are storm chasers out there that need individuals passing along quickly what they see on the ground. Slow down the Community of life savers? I really feel that someone has missed the point of a large group of individuals that work together and in most of those cases might not even know each other. Why participate? Because it is the right thing to do! Pass It Forward.

—Rebecca Sherman, Eureka Springs, AR

Net neutrality is equality for everyone

—Tristen, Keizer, OR

Please don't let this happen.

—Tracy Dendy, Brooklyn, NY

I am a teacher and always have built a site to help people learn key math skills. There are 1000s of others like me trying to make a positive change in this world and our work will suffer greatly if neutrality is no longer.

—Daniel Wallace, Memphis, TN

Please keep net neutral. It Is the only way our democracy will survive over the years. Also all of us paid for it!!!!!!

—Bill toles, Mtka, MN

Please do not allow a 2-tiered plan favoring huge media corporations like Comcast over the rest of us. Comcast has a monopoly over cable TV service in my area, but I'm thinking of dropping them because they are so expensive. They rip off customers by offering deals over the phone (with a 2-year contract) and then tacking a bunch of nonsensical fees on to the bill. I've heard that they are not bothered by steps like I'm considering, because they plan to use the FCC to effectively gain control over much of the movie and TV content on the internet, which is currently an affordable alternative. There is no effective competition between these media giants and not enough government regulation, as far as I'm concerned! Please stand firm.

—Vicki Buttery, Woodbury, MN

Isp's must be declared as common carriers. No isp should be allowed to discriminate which site and user gets to have a faster connection. Equality for all.

—Jay Garg, hartford, WI

Dearest FCC: At this point, you realize this is the wrong choice. Denying the wishes of the majority of our countrymen, you are no better than a dictator. Please do the right thing and allow freedom to ring throughout the digital world.

—Jordan Watkins, Denton, TX

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Joshua coin, oak ridge, TN

Dear FCC, Net neutrality is a vital part of a thriving digital culture. In our ever expanding world of communication and technology, digital information and the people who provide those services should be able to allocate those resources evenly (unhindered by software or gated exchanges that prevent the chance for smaller companies to thrive and even more so, unfairly influence the content viewed by consumers). By having a two-tiered Internet, you are increasing to the hostility of this delicate environment. This is not acceptable and these data carriers should be reclassified as common carriers!

—Chinh Duong, Lincoln, NE

99% of the American people do not have the ability to pay for lobbyists, so we are asking you to keep net neutrality as it has been. We want you to reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Judy Edgar, Phoenix, AZ

Net neutrality is important to me because the entire architecture of the internet was built around it. Both people and companies pay for a connection and then they're able to send packets of information across the ISP networks in order to communicate. If you allow certain companies, the services or devices they provide, to pay for better access it will come at the expense of regular traffic. Essentially allowing the ISPs to provide a QoS feature means that those not paying for this feature will get higher latency or dropped packets. The internet has been a great economic force because it's a medium where you can rapidly prototype and provide a service that gets the same treatment that everyone. Companies like Google or Facebook may not even exist if the previous companies with large market share, yahoo or myspace, had been able to pay to have its traffic prioritized. By allowing the ISPs to have networks of tiered quality you are stifling the fairness and innovation that is inherently built into the internet.

—Aaron Bailey, San Marcos, CA

Net neutrality is important to individual consumers and small business owners. It protects them from monopolistic control practices over the internet. It prevents Google and a couple of other giant corporations from owning the internet. It allows children, the elderly and those who start a small family business in their neighborhoods the ability to have an online presence. Despite the Supreme Court's misguided notion that corporations are people, real people need equal access to the internet free from monopolistic control over it akin to how comcast is allowed to have a monopoly on cable television service.

—Dee Johnson, Seattle, WA

As a young American working in the tech industry, I beg you: Please preserve a free and open internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. All we want is the same opportunity that our predecessors had: the chance to create websites and online businesses that can compete on a level playing field with big businesses. I ask you to stand up for the rights of millennials and other young Americans—to give us the same opportunities our parents had. Please, please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Jared Norby, Los Angeles, CA

Net neutrality is not just an issue of American freedom, but an issue of freedom for the entire world. It is unacceptable to restrict the freedom of the internet!

—Erin Bodin, Coquitlam,

All websites, regardless of wealth, size, or traffic deserve the same affordable rates, and the same internet speeds. Websites for small businesses shouldn't be weighed down by internet costs just to get the same speeds as big corporations. NET NEUTRALITY IS BEST.

—Anna H., Spokane, WA

Net Neutrality is important because it gives everyone a chance to express themselves.

—Aura Sweet, Fort Saskatchewan,

Keep the internet free and equal to all. Don't sell it to the highest bidder.

—Brannigan Cheney, Torrance, CA

Net neutrality needs to happen.

—Deirdre Mathews, Captain Cook, HI

This is a terrible idea. Please do not allow this to happen. We will all pay for it dearly. Thank you.

—Mark Bertagna, Charlotte, NC

How is it so hard to realize or understand that 'net neutrality' was, is, and always will be a NECESSITY for freedom of expression and equality?!

—Adam M, Orland Park, IL

The World Wide Web has been the greatest engine of democracy since the invention of movable type in the 15th century. To deprive it of its universal equality would not only be a tragedy, it would be a crime, returning our political discourse to the Gilded Age, and in effect to the Feudal System. Feudalism in a three piece suit is called Fascism, in case you didn't know - "ownership of Government by an individual, by a group, or by any other controlling private power", to use FDR's insightful definition. Keep this essential element of our democracy IN THE HANDS OF THE PEOPLE - confer COMMON-CARRIER status on the World Wide Web. Thank you.

—John S. Carpenter, Portland, ME

Net neutrality is vital to our economic growth because it allows for competition and a level playing field for both established business models and start ups. Please keep it.

—Blacky Teller, Santa Monica, CA

Net neutrality is the only fair way. Please don't create a defacto caste system to the internet. Internet traffic should be handled without prejudice. Keep the internet the free and democratic engine it is. Let end users decide what traffic they want and don't allow autocracy to win over.

—James Grundner, Providence, RI

Please keep the net the way it is.

—Clifford Clifford, Fairfield, ME

Information is the star of the show, not the carriers of information.

—Leigh Gilbert, Milton Keynes,

Please break up the monopolies that presently control the US Internet. Create competition in the ISP market and we all benefit. Can't or won't get rid of the monopolies (I have 1 broadband provider in my town. Comcast is the only ISP with high speed offerings. Verizon, took advantage of Title II common carrier rules as a telco to lay fiber, but then quit their fiber roll-out in the town next to mine). If you are unable or unwilling to break the monopolies across the country then you must regulate the ISPs as common carriers. However, the regulation must be done to benefit the American people, not the ISPs. I am concerned that Verizon has already abused the regulations while never completing their fiber roll-out. Regulation isn't enough. Regulation with oversight, and penalties for abuse (real penalties, not wrist slaps) is required.

—Susan West, Lunenburg, MA

Adding tiers to access the web by pricing is in itself corruption- fastest access to the highest bidder. You are destroying the level playing field. Who is paying the FCC to change the rules? Stop this madness immediately!

—Ricardo Cobo, Las Vegas, NV

The internet is a source of information for millions of people who are free to browse anywhere without restrictions at whatever speed they have purchased from their ISP. Real freedom. Please don't stifle that freedom by allowing companies to buy a piece of that freedom

—Jed Walker, Aurora, IL